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SUBJECT: YUGOSLAV PARTICIPATION IN INTERNATIONAL CHESS TOURNAMENTS

1. FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH WE NOTICED EARLIER THIS SUMMER THAT YUGOSLAV CHESS FEDERATION ANNOUNCED IT WOULD NOT PARTICIPATE IN INTERNATIONAL CHESS OLYMPIAD TO BE HELD LATER THIS YEAR IN ISRAEL. AT SAME TIME IT EXPRESSED INTEREST IN A COUNTER-CHESS OLYMPIAD LIBYANS WERE REPORTEDLY ORGANIZING. THIS WEEKEND, HOWEVER, TANJUG REPORTED THAT YUGOSLAV FEDERATION AT ITS SEPTEMBER 3 MEETING "UPHELD ITS STAND ASSUMED EARLIER ON YUGOSLAVIA'S ABSTENTION FROM A CHESS TOURNAMENT IN LIBYA."

2. COMMENT: WE DON'T KNOW HOW WORLD CHESS FEDERATION (FIDE) RESPONDED TO YUGOSLAVIA 'S EARLIER ANNOUNCEMENT BUT HAVE NOTICED SOME INTERNATIONAL SPORTS FEDERATIONS

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HAVE THREATENED PENALTIES AGAINST PULLOUTS "FOR POLITICAL

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